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Summary of reasons for decision:

This magazine is published by the media wing of ISIL. The Classification Office has considered all relevant criteria under the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 and has concluded that the magazine promotes and encourages terrorism to a degree that makes its availability likely to be injurious to the public good. For that reason, it is classified as objectionable. The right to freedom of expression, as affirmed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, has been considered, but the high likelihood of injury to the public good from the availability of the magazine means that a classification of objectionable is a reasonable and demonstrably justifiable limitation on that right.